



**House Bill No. 7091**

**Public Act No. 17-178**

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
AND ADDICTION SERVICES' RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING  
REVISIONS TO THE PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
FOR REGULATED PROFESSIONALS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 19a-12e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2017*):

(d) A health care professional who has been the subject of an arrest arising out of an allegation of the possession, use, prescription for use or distribution of a controlled substance or legend drug or alcohol [or diagnosed with a mental illness or behavioral or emotional disorder] shall, not less than thirty days after such arrest, [or diagnosis,] notify the Department of Public Health. The health care professional shall be deemed to satisfy this obligation if the health care professional seeks intervention with the assistance program.

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